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TO: Ambassador Inderfurth
FROM: POL - Cameron R. Hume *CRH*
SUBJECT: PCG SVTS, Thursday, June 1, 10 am - African Issues

Rwanda

- o The report on UNAMIR has gone from DPKO to DPA. We expect it to leave Goulding's office and go to the SYG tomorrow morning.
- o The Rwandan ambassador sent a letter to the SYG and SC-UN FIELD OFFICE *see 5/24/95* President spelling out the position of the GOR, which we sent last night by cable and fax. *RWANDA (UNEP/PAU)*
- o The Germans (SC president for June) have told us they are working on a draft resolution, which they will not be able to finalize until they see the SYG's report. We have shared with them the draft elements for a new mandate which you sent us May 19.
- o The Germans plan to hold the first Council informal consultations to discuss the report on Monday, June 5.
- o The Perm Five met Wednesday and decided it would be useful if all Five took a similar line with the visiting Rwandan delegation. The Chinese may not feel comfortable putting pressure on the Rwandans, but the others all agree a coordinated stance will be best. We will encourage the Rwandans to settle their differences with the UN before the confrontation becomes public.

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Burundi

- o SRSG Ould Abdullah had lunch with a number of Western ambassadors Wednesday.



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- o Ould Abdullah will be briefing the Council later this morning on Burundi. At that time, we intend to make the points included in the instruction cable of May 4 on the need for the Commission to result in some sort of consequences for the wrongdoers.
- o Our previous recitation of these points to DPA fell on deaf ears. Hopefully, airing our views in the Council will have more effect.

Angola

- o The UN is moving ahead on demining as quickly as budget constraints will allow. UN demining expert Gen. Blagden tells us the NGO's (Norwegian People's Aid, Halo Trust, MAG, and Cap Anamur) are working well.
- o The internal Contracts Committee at the UN will be considering the awarding of two contracts at a meeting this Friday. One contract will be for demining of major roads, and the other for verifying that cantonment areas and UN troop deployment areas are free of mines.
- o The GRA has expressed to the UN a willingness to show them which roads are demined, and which have never been mined.
- o UN recruitment of personnel to run the demining school has been fruitful. They have identified a number of volunteers, and have found a location for the school.

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